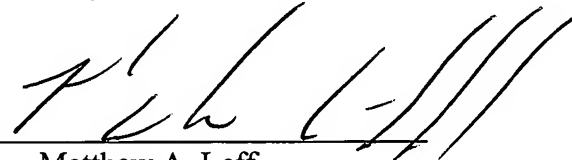


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Applicants have amended the specification to reference the prior filed applications from which the instant application claims benefit. Applicants respectfully contend that the requirements for submitting such an amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(2)(ii) and (a)(3) should be waived because the U.S. PTO has recognized the claim for benefit on the Filing Receipt (copy of which is attached). Applicants note that the Notice on Claiming the Benefit of Prior-Filed Applications from Deputy Commissioner Stephan Kunin dated February 24, 2003 specifically states that the requirements under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(3)(ii) and (iii) will be waived if the "information concerning the claim was recognized by the Office as shown by its inclusion on the filing receipt."

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